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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, XO, IZ
SUBJECT: STATUS OF INDIAN OCEAN TALKS

REF: STATE 184776

1. IN COURSE OF A ROUTINE CALL ON DR. ISMAT KETTANEH,
CHIEF OF MFA'S INTERNALTIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES
DEPT, SUBJECT OF U.S.-USSR INDIAN OCEAN TALKS CAME UP.
KETTANEH AGREED THAT THE GOI HAD A PARTICULARLY
EVEN-HANDED STANCE ON THIS SUBJECT AND NOTED THAT THE
RECENT VISIT OF MENDELIVITCH (BAGHDAD 1228) HAD RESULTED
MERELY IN IRAQI ADVICE TO THE SOVIETS TO "GET ON WITH IT."
2. KETTANEH, WHO WAS PRESENT AT THE BELGRADE NON-ALIGNED
MEETING LAST MONTH, SAID THAT IRAQ SUBSCRIBED TO THE NAM
GOAL OF REMOVING BOTH SUPERPOWERS FROM THE INDIAN OCEAN.
HE SAID THAT AS FAR AS THE GOI IS CONCERNED, BOTH
PARTIES TO THE TALKS ARE EQUALLY SUBJECT TO CRITICISM.
3. COMMENT: IRAQIS ARE EVIDENTLY NOT PERSUADED BY ANY
SOVIET PROPAGANDA EFFORTS TO PLACE BURDEN ON THE U.S.
FOR THE FAILURE TO SET DATES FOR THE NEXT ROUND.
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